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SUBJECT: WESTERN EUROPEAN GROUP DISCUSSES SSOD BUREAU
CANDIDATES

1. WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHERS GROUP (WEOG) MET ON MAY 5
TO DISCUSS THE QUESTION OF THE BUREAU OF THE SSOD'S
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE. AT THE SUGGESTION OF UNGA
PRESIDENT MOJSOV THE WEOG AUTHORIZED ITS CHAIRMAN (GREEK
PERMREP PAPOULIAS), TO SEND A LETTER TO THE CHAIRMEN OF
THE OTHER REGIONAL GROUPS EXPRESSING ITS INTEREST IN
OBTAINING ONE OF THE EIGHT VICE-CHAIRMANSHIPS AND THE
POST OF RAPPOREUR ON THE BUREAU AND ASKING FOR THEIR
AGREEMENT TO THIS PROPOSAL.

2. THE MAIN INTEREST IN THE GROUP IS IN OBTAINING THE
POST OF RAPPOREUR FOR WHICH THEIR CANDIDATE IS NEW
ZEALAND PERMREP TEMPLETON. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE
INTEREST OF THE NON-ALIGNED GROUP TO HAVE THE POST
RETAINED BY ABDELKADER BENSMAIL OF ALGERIA, WHO HAD
FUNCTIONED IN THAT CAPACITY IN PREPCOMS IV AND V, IT WAS
DECIDED NOT TO PUT FORWARD TEMPLETON'S NAME AT THIS TIME.
(NEW ZEALAND WISHES TO AVOID CONFRONTATION WITH ALGERIA.)

3. UNGA PRESIDENT MOJSOV HAD BEEN APPROACHED BY
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WEOS ON THIS PROBLEM AND HAS AGREED TO ASSIST IN RESOLVING
MATTERS IF QUESTION IS STILL UNSETTLED WHEN HE RETURNS
TO NEW YORK ON MAY 18. YOUNG

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